(c) whether AICTE propose to open a cell in A.P. to quicken the process of granting recognition?.

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) For the year 2001-2002, the State Government of Andhra Pradesh recommended 65 proposals for establishment of engineering colleges, against which Letter of Viability has so far been issued by the All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) in respect of 29 proposals.

(b) Proposals which are not in conformity with the norms and standards prescribed by the AICTE are referred back indicating the deficiencies/shortcomings. On receipt of compliance on removal of shortcomings within the stipulated period, the cases are processed further and Letter of Viability is issued. Those proposals which do not meet the requirements are rejected.

(c) AICTE is already having an office at Chennai catering to matters related to granting recognition of technical institutes, etc. in the Southern Region including the State of Andhra Pradesh. There is no proposal, at present, to open any more Regional Office of AICTE.

Grants to Rajasthan

† 3895. DR. MAHESH CHANDRA SHARMA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the items, programmes or projects and any particular subject for which money was provided to Rajasthan Government by the Ministry of Human Resource Development in the financial years 1999-2000 and 2000-2001, togetherwith the details of the amount provided; and

(b) whether the Rajasthan Government has submitted the account of the said amount spent, to the Central Government, in time?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) The details of grants

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provided to State Government of Rajasthan under different schemes in the education sector by Ministry of Human Resource Development arc given in the Statement *(See* below).

(b) The State Government has furnished the accounts of the expenditure incurred out of the grants released during 1999-2000 under the Scheme of Operation Blackboard, Non-formal Education, Restructuring and Reorganisation of Teacher Education and Integrated Education for Disabled Children.

Statement

Grants provided to Rajasthan under different Educational Schemes

(Rs. in lakhs)

S.No	Scheme/Programme	1999-2000	2000-2001
(1)	Operation Blackboard	1612.75	1584.80
(2)	Non-Formal Education	1219.51	1630.83
(3)	Special Project for Eradication of Illiteracy	244.00	—
(4)	Continuing Education	782.40	12,50
(5)	Celebration of Sanskrit Year	5.90	—
(6)	District Primary Educat ion Programme	3050.00	—
(7)	Restructuring and Reorganisation of Teacher Education	2204.92	1401.43
(8)	Integrated Education for Disabled Children	79.96	74.48

National Mission for Technology Education

† 3896. SHRI P.'K. MAHESHWARI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the young students are getting disillusioned from science education and scientific research which

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